

INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY/DISTRICT  
MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST  
INTERNAL NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

Property/District Name: Chew-Crowl Farm Survey Number: <sup>CABR</sup>CR-1355

Project: Westminster Bypass Agency: SHA

Site visit by MHT Staff: X no      yes Name                      Date             

Eligibility recommended X Eligibility not recommended     

Criteria: X A      B X C      D Considerations:      A      B      C      D      E      F      G      None

Justification for decision: (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map)

The property known as the Chew-Crowl Farm, located between MD 140 and Old Westminster Pike, just east of its intersection with Arnold Road in Carroll County, MD., is considered eligible for listing on the National Register under Criteria A and C.

The Chew-Crowl farm survives as an excellent example of a late 19th century farm complex, built by Milton Chew, a local store owner and postmaster of Reese (then known as Carrollton). The property which includes a vernacular Queen Anne farmhouse; a board and batten washhouse/butchery; a bankbarn and several non-historic structures is significant as a well-preserved farmstead associated with a prominent member of the village and meets Criterion A of the National Register. Further, the farmhouse provides an excellent local example of the Queen Anne style of architecture, notable for its high degree of ornamentation and craftsmanship, and is eligible for listing on the National Register under Criterion C.

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Review and Compliance Files

Prepared by: Rita Suffness, Leader, Cultural Resources Group, SHA

Elizabeth Hannold and Kim Williams 2/21/96  
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services Date

NR program concurrence: X yes      no      not applicable

Bk 4/21/97  
Reviewer, NR program Date

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## MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA - HISTORIC CONTEXT

## I. Geographic Region:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Eastern Shore	(all Eastern Shore counties, and Cecil)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Western Shore	(Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Prince George's and St. Mary's)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Piedmont	(Baltimore City, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Harford, Howard, Montgomery)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Western Maryland	(Allegany, Garrett and Washington)

## II. Chronological/Developmental Periods:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Paleo-Indian	10000-7500 B.C.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Early Archaic	7500-6000 B.C.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Middle Archaic	6000-4000 B.C.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Late Archaic	4000-2000 B.C.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Early Woodland	2000-500 B.C.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Middle Woodland	500 B.C. - A.D. 900
<input type="checkbox"/>	Late Woodland/Archaic	A.D. 900-1600
<input type="checkbox"/>	Contact and Settlement	A.D. 1570-1750
<input type="checkbox"/>	Rural Agrarian Intensification	A.D. 1680-1815
<input type="checkbox"/>	Agricultural-Industrial Transition	A.D. 1815-1870
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Industrial/Urban Dominance	A.D. 1870-1930
<input type="checkbox"/>	Modern Period	A.D. 1930-Present
<input type="checkbox"/>	Unknown Period ( <input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric <input type="checkbox"/> historic)	

## III. Prehistoric Period Themes:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Subsistence
<input type="checkbox"/>	Settlement
<input type="checkbox"/>	Political
<input type="checkbox"/>	Demographic
<input type="checkbox"/>	Religion
<input type="checkbox"/>	Technology
<input type="checkbox"/>	Environmental Adaptation

## IV. Historic Period Themes:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Community Planning
<input type="checkbox"/>	Economic (Commercial and Industrial)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Government/Law
<input type="checkbox"/>	Military
<input type="checkbox"/>	Religion
<input type="checkbox"/>	Social/Educational/Cultural
<input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation

## V. Resource Type:

Category: BuildingHistoric Environment: RuralHistoric Function(s) and Use(s): Domestic/Single Dwelling; Subsistence/Barn

Known Design Source: \_\_\_\_\_

Chew-Crowl Farm  
Westminster  
Carroll County

HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: Piedmont  
(Harford, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Howard, Montgomery Counties,  
and Baltimore City)

Chronological/Development Period:

Industrial/Urban Dominance 1870-1930 A.D.

Prehistoric/Historic Period Themes:

Agriculture  
Architecture

Resource Type:

Category: Buildings

Environment: Rural

Function & Use:

Domestic/Single dwelling/residence  
Domestic/secondary structure/kitchen  
Agriculture/Subsistence/storage/granary  
Agriculture/Subsistence/animal facility/barn

Known Design Source: None

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF  
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. CARR-1355

Magi No.

DOE \_\_\_yes \_\_\_no

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Chew-Crowl Farm

and/or common

## 2. Location

street & number 1434 Old Westminster Pike \_\_\_ not for publication

city, town Westminster \_\_\_ vicinity of congressional district

state Maryland county

## 3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
___ district	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	___ private	___ unoccupied	___ commercial
___ structure	___ both	___ work in progress	___ educational
___ site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	___ entertainment
___ object	___ in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	___ government
	___ being considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	___ industrial
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	___ no	___ military
			___ museum
			___ park
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
			___ religious
			___ scientific
			___ transportation
			___ other:

## 4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name John Crowl

street & number 1434 Old Westminster Pike telephone no.:

city, town Westminster state and zip code MD

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. liber

street & number folio

city, town state

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

ate \_\_\_ federal \_\_\_ state \_\_\_ county \_\_\_ local

depository for survey records

city, town state

## 7. Description

Survey No. CARR-1355

Condition  
☒ excellent  
☐ good  
☐ fair

☐ deteriorated  
☐ ruins  
☐ unexposed

Check one  
☒ unaltered  
☐ altered

Check one  
☐ original site  
☐ moved      date of move \_\_\_\_\_

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

SEE CONTINUATION 7.1

## 8. Significance

Survey No. CARR-1355

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates 1894 - 1980's Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☒ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D  
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

SEE CONTINUATION 8.1

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. CARR-1355

Interview with the current owner, John Crowl

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 0.95 acreQuadrangle name WestminsterQuadrangle scale 1" = 2000'

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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### Verbal boundary description and justification

Coterminous with tax 1492, map 46, .95 acre, constituting the environmental setting and land originally acquired by Milton Chew, which was not severed from the farmstead by MD 140.

### List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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## 11. Form Prepared By

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The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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Chew-Crowl Farm  
Continuation Sheet 7.1

Description

This farm complex, located between MD 140 and Old Westminster Pike, just east of its intersection with Arnold Road, was built by Milton Chew in 1894. The farm buildings are clustered together on the north side of Old Westminster Pike on a remnant of the original farm. Most of the farmland was severed from the buildings with the construction of MD 140, with the acreage ultimately sold to Carroll County for the landfill.

The focus of the complex is a well preserved frame farmhouse, highly ornamented with angle quoins, brackets, shingled gable ends, an octagonal bay on the southwest corner, jigsawn porch forth brackets, railings and unusually patterned cornices. The principal entrance facade, which is oriented to the south, has five bays, with a transomed and sidelit center entrance. A cross gable over the center bay interrupts the standing seam gable roof, which parallels the east-west orientation of the principal facade. This cross gable has a pointed window and unusual brackets under the boxed cornice. Paired brackets in the cornice are located between the two-over-two windows. Wooden angle quoins are located on all four corners of this main block, with two chimneys inside the end walls. A highly ornamented, one-story porch shelters the center three bays.

A simple ell with a gable roof extends from the north or rear wall of the main block, continuing the plane of the west wall. An octagonal section extends from the southwest corner.

A well preserved two-story, board and batten combination washhouse/butchery, as identified by the owner, is located northeast of the house. The only other period building is the 1895 bank barn with loafing area enclosed by a short stone wall located west of the house. The implement building northwest of the house was built in 1954, and the remaining buildings, such as the concrete block garage, were built recently.

Milton Chew, who was a store owner in Reese, which is a small community just east of the farm, initially purchased a small mill which was originally located just across Old Westminster Road from the house he built later. He continued the milling operation for a very short while, for his descendants report that it has not been extant for over 80 years.

The property remains in the ownership of the descendents of the builder, Milton Chew, as his daughter married a Crowl.

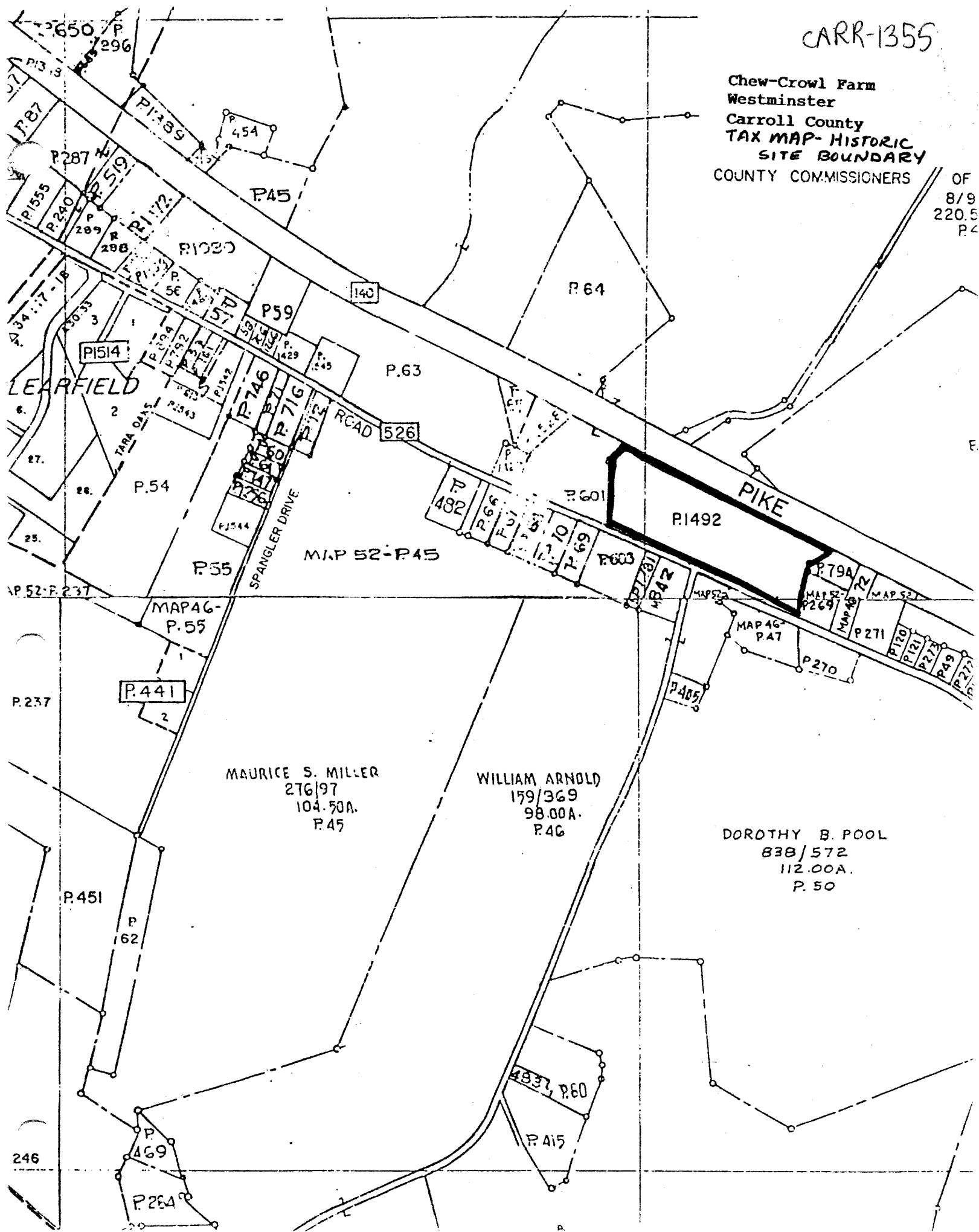


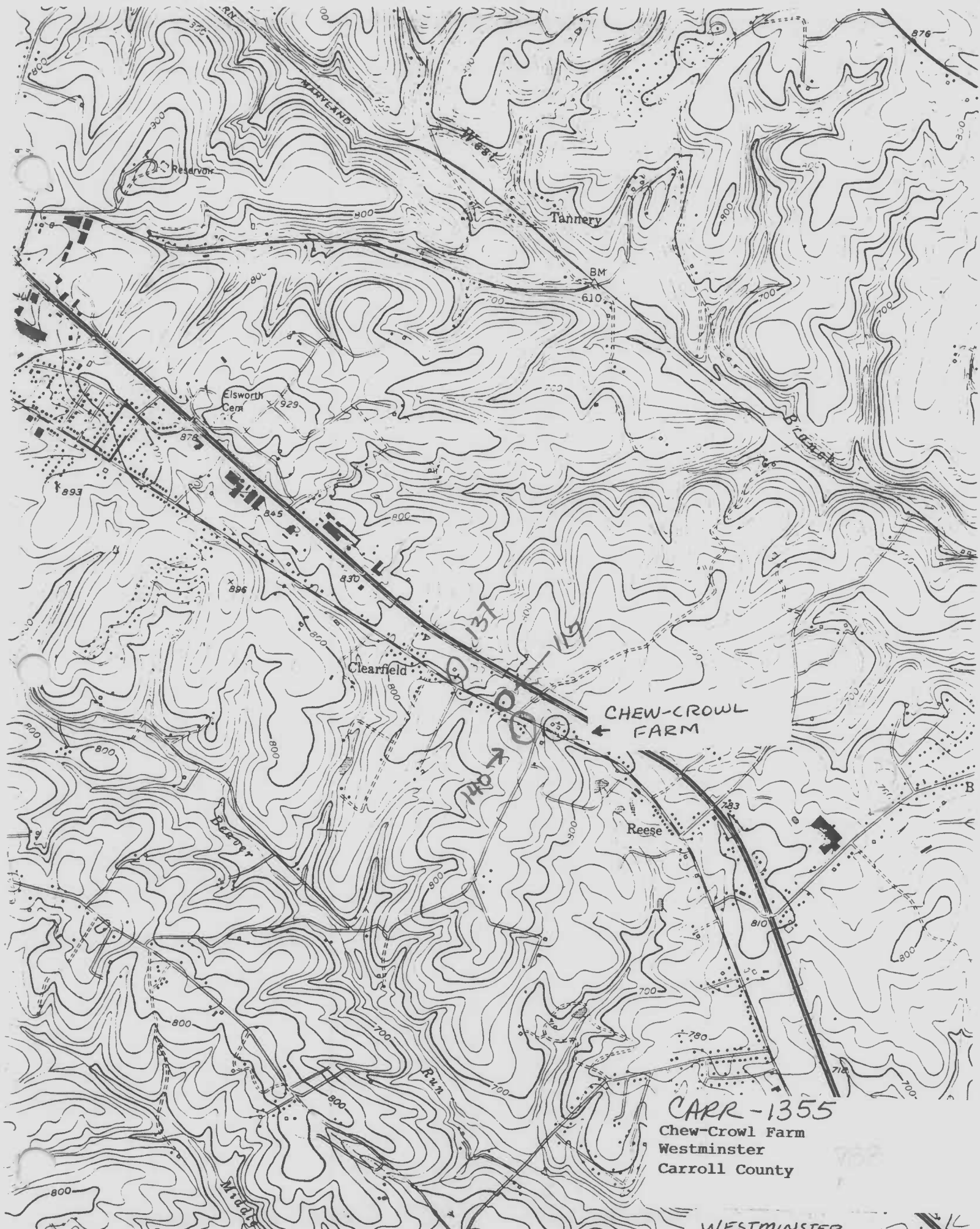
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Significance

This is an excellent example of a late nineteenth century farm complex, built by Milton Chew, the store owner and postmaster of Reese, which was known as Carrollton at the time. It is not only significant as a well preserved farmstead associated with a prominent member of the village, but also for the highly ornamented architectural styling of the dwelling, with elaborate shingling, bracketing, and quoining, along with the Queen Anne stylistic affiliations of the highly unusual octagonal bay on the southwest corner.

Chew-Crowl Farm  
Westminster  
Carroll County  
TAX MAP- HISTORIC  
SITE BOUNDARY  
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS





CARR-1355  
Chew-Crowl Farm  
Westminster  
Carroll County

WESTMINSTER  
QUADRANGLE



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